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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE PRODUCTION APPARATUS, AND SEMICONDUCTOR

DEVICE PRODUCTION METHOD EMPLOYING THE SAME

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RCE

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 23, 2006 (for which petition is hereby made for a two month extension of time), please amend the above-identified application as follows (an RCE has been filed herewith):

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